

Newsletter—Friday 27th September Volume 3

Dear Parents,

It has been a rather wet week but we haven't let that dampen the learning spirit in school this week.

A lot as been happening across the school and it has been lovely dropping into classes and being greeted by happy learners.

Today we celebrated the reopening of the environment area which is based behind the upper school playground. The Friends of OLOP have been working hard behind the scenes in getting this area back into a useable condition. On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Elite Landscaping who have very kindly completed the work of clearing the area, creating log seating and putting up new fencing around the pond. This will be a fantastic resource for the school to use and enhance the curriculum. It is with the continued support of the Friends of OLOP and local businesses that allow the school to keep developing. Thank you!

You may have spotted the estate agent signs around Burnham promoting the Open Days that we are holding in October and November. Please do let friends, families and neighbours know about our wonderful school. Pupil numbers are low in this area of Slough for all schools so it is important that we promote the school in every possible way. If you know anyone who would like to come and have a look, please ask them to contact

<u>admissions@olopprimary.co.uk</u>. We are a school community that welcomes all children of all faiths!

Just a final note to say please follow our Instagram account. You can find us on Instagram as @OLOPBURNHAM.

Have a happy, restful and hopefully drier weekend!

Mr N Stopps

Important dates:

October:

Thursday 3rd

Special Menu Day

Thursday 17th

Open Day—9:15-10:45am

Tuesday 22nd

Year 5 Trip to

Hampton Court Palace

Wednesday 23rd

Harvest Mass

Open Day 2—1:30pm to 2:45pm

MORE DATES CAN BE FOUND ON
THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Class Attendance:

REC—St Valentine -91.2%

RHC-St Joseph -98.4%

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska -95.4%

Yr1—St Bernadette -96.4%

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta -97%

Yr2—St Mary Magdalene -100%

Yr3-St Paul -95.2%

Yr3—St Martin de Porres -96.8%

Yr4—St Peter -98.1%

Yr4-St John-Bosco - 97.4%

Yr5—St Thomas More -96.1%

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi -97.9%

Yr6—St Maximilian -95%

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita -92%



ACHIEVEMENT & SUCCESS

This week's pupils of the week are:

RHA—St Valentine—Teddy

RHC—St Joseph—Bowie

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska—Edel

Yr1—St Bernadette—Stefan

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta—Noah

Yr2—St Mary Magadelene—G'Naiyha

Yr3—St Paul—Kya

Yr3—St Martin de Porres—Viyona

Yr4—St Peter—George

Yr4—St John-Bosco—Karolina

Yr5—St Thomas More—Luca

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi—Eamonn

Yr6—St Maximilian—Natan

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita—Joseph

Congratulations to all of our pupils of the week for your hard work and achievements





MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Today we hosted a wonderful Macmillan Coffee Morning in support of Macmillan Cancer Support. It was a fantastic event, filled with delicious treats, warm conversations, and a great sense of community.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and contributed to this important cause and to the Friends of OLOP for their help. Your generosity and support will help make a difference in the lives of those affected by cancer.

So far we have raised £184, it's not to late to donate, please click on the link below:

https://www.justgiving.com/CM24003798











SPECIAL MENU

We have a special menu coming up on Thursday 3rd October. This is a great opportunity for your children to try a school meal especially in this cold weather we have been having.

We hope you will support the school and encourage your children to take part.

Thank you for your continued support.





COMMUNITY NEWS

We are holding open days to showcase our wonderful school. Prospective parents will be beginning to look at potential schools for their children to start Reception in September 2025.

Please do let anyone you know who is looking for a school space that we have open days organised for October and November. We are an inclusive school who welcome children of all faiths.

If you know of anyone looking for school spaces for other year groups or needing a current Reception space, please ask them to contact the school office.





NEW CLUB—MAGICAL MATHS STARTING WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER KS1 and KS2



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FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS

Bag2School

Our next Bag2School collection will be on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th October. Please bring your bags of used clothing, shoes, handbags and household linen (in re-usable condition) at drop-off time on these days and we will be in the car park to collect the bags.

We are paid by weight collected so every item makes a difference and it's a great opportunity to clear out your wardrobe and raise money for school by donating your unwanted items!

<u>Christmas Fair - 30th November</u>

We are starting to prepare for our Christmas Fair and hoping it will once again be a fun-filled festive day. Lots more details to follow soon but for now, we are looking for stallholders to join us as part of our outdoor Christmas Market. We'd love to have a variety of stalls selling gifts, decorations, jewellery, candles and more. The cost of a pitch is £15. If you know anyone who might be interested, please ask them to email friends@olopprimary.co.uk for more details and a booking form.

We'd also love to hear from any local companies who may be interested in sponsoring any element of the fair - such as the raffle, grotto, food stalls, etc. Please get in touch for more details.

Finally, please let us know if you work for a company that offers match funding for charities. This is a scheme where employers match the funds raised by their staff when they volunteer and it could make a huge difference to our event fundraising. Please speak to us or email for more details if this is something you could help us with.







FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



If your child is in Year 3 or above, and you wish your child to receive their First Holy Communion in 2025 you will need to enrol them on the First Holy Communion Programme. Please submit your expression of interest by 2nd October 2024 via email olopcommunion@gmail.com.

Please note your child will need to be Baptised in order to join the programme.

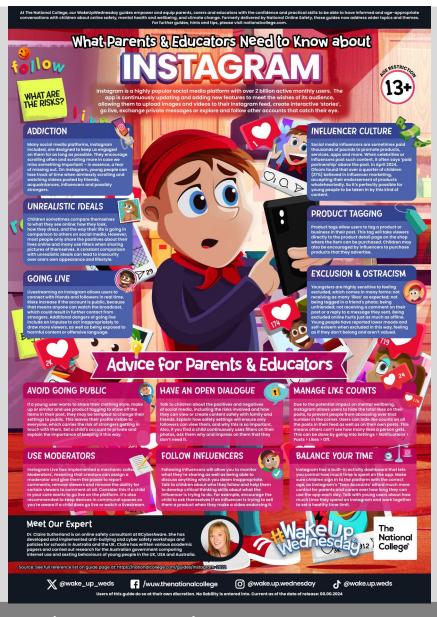




WAKE UP WEDNESDAY—NATIONAL COLLEGE

As of 2024, social media giant Instagram has over two billion active users, with 8% of those (approximately 1.6 million) being under-18. That's a lot of children and young people making use of this platform, exploring its features ... and being exposed to its risks – from influencer marketing to contact with strangers and plenty more.

As parents and educators, it's important to understand how to keep children protected as they discover new regions of the digital landscape – and this is no different for Instagram. Fortunately, our updated guide tells you all you need to know about potential safety concerns around Instagram and offers advice on how to safeguard children and young people as they use this platform.





PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING DROP-IN CLINICS AND **GROUP SESSIONS**

Please find below timetable for Public Health Nursing Drop-in Clinics and Group Sessions in order to get support and advice.

Public Health Nursing Drop-in Clinic and Group Sessions

September to November 2024

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0 - 19 years Drop-in Clinic:

These sessions are for parents with children between 0-19 years of age.

Olive Room at Cippenham Nursery

Postcode: SL1 5NL 4th Tuesday of every month - 13:30 to 15:30pm

Romsey Close Children Centre Postcode: SL3 8PE

2nd Wednesday of every month - 13:30 to 15:30pm

Penn Road Children Centre

Postcode: SL2 1PG 1st Thursday of every month - 13:30 to 15:30pm

Chalvey Children Centre

3rd Friday of every month - 09:30 to 11:30am

Group Sessions:

These sessions are run by a Nursery Nurse and last

Group Sessions Mondays at Penn Road:

09/09 - Childhood Illnesses

16/09- Fussy Eating & Healthy Diet

23/09 - Keeping Safe

30/09 - Toilet Training 07/10 - Looking after you

14/10 - Child Development

Group Sessions Fridays at Romsey Close:

09:30 to 11:00am

08/11 - Childhood Illnesses

15/11- Fussy Eating & Healthy Diet

22/11- Keeping Safe 29/11 – Toilet Training If you have any further enquiries please

Telephone: 01753 373464

Email: publichealthnursing.4slough@nhs.net

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EARLY LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

Please find the link for Early Language Development Workshops run by the NHS Berkshire Healthcare Children, Young People and Families Service.

https://cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/children-and-young-peoples-integrated-therapies/early-language-development-workshops

EARLY LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

Please see the link below for FREE Courses and Workshops that offer support for parents/carers whose child may have Autism/ADHD and for those who have been diagnosed.

https://www.gems4health.com/workshops/



CHURCH BULLETIN

NEW YOUTH GROUP: Age 7-12 We are thrilled to announce the creation of a new Youth Group designed specifically for children aged 7-12 years old. This exciting initiative aims to foster friendship, community, encouragement and to have fur with our young people. Location: Alternate between Our Lady of Peace & St Andrews.

Meetings: Every 3rd Sunday of each Month after Mass, alternating between Our Lady of Peace and St. Andrews. The first meeting will take place on October 20rd directly after Mass at Our Lady of Peace.

To join, please:

- Sign up using the OR code provided on the poster OR
- Sign up using use CA code provided on the poster OX
 Fill out the registration sheet available after masses.
 We are actively seeking young leaders to join our team. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact the Youth Leaders. We look forward to welcoming our young people to this vibrant new community!

SHEKHINAH PRAYER GROUP Meets weekly on Wednesdays from 7.00pm to 8.30pm via Zoom with Catholic teachings on different topics. Lectio Divina (Praying the Scriptures), takes place on alterative weeks. The theme for this Wednesday 2nd October will be Reflections on the Gospel Mark 10:2-16 Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year Time B. The Speaker will be Deacon Michael.

FROM THE DIOCESE

CELEBRATING OUR RICHES: Monday 14 October 7.30pm-8.45pm
A zoom meeting to invite people from all our parishes to share how they celebrate the many different cultures which now enrich our communities. We hope anyone who has experience and ideas will join so that we can begin to see how to develop this across the diocess. It is an open meeting for clergy and lay faithful.

SARAH KROGER: A night of praise with American singer songwriter, Sarah Kroger. We are blessed to share that, fresh from leading the worship at the National Eucharistic Congress in the United States, singer songwriter Sarah Kroger will be leading a night of music and worship in two areas of our diocese in October. On Wednesday 9º October at 70m Sarah will be at Our Lady Help of Christians, Luton. To order tickets please contact Our Lady's on 01582 723254 or email parish.ourladyhelpotchristiansluton@northamplondiocese.org
On Sunday 13º October at 7pm Sarah will be in Northampton at the St Thomas Centre and all are welcome. More information can be found here

PILGRIMAGE

ESCORTED TOUR TO IRELAND St. Bernadette's Relics: Sunday 0.3°d November 2024, £899.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4° Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on certain days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit St Bernadette's Relics, Knock Shrine, Galway City, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey & Fr. Peylon Centre. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpligrimages@gmail.com.

FINANCES We are extremely grateful for your financial support, also to the volunteers who help in so many ways. Standing Order via donor's own bank: The information you require to make this donation is as follows:
Bank: NatWest. Sort Code; 60-08-11. Account Number; 48716203. Account Name; RCDN Our Lady of Peace. Payment Ref: Our Lady of Peace, Slough. Standing Order through this link: https://northamptondiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/GAD-general-June-18-v2-revision.pdf



29th SEPTEMBER 2024 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR B)

CHURCH REOPENING: Our Lady of Peace Church is nearly set to welcome Parishioners again after a lengthy 81 day closure for refurbishment. We plan to have a mass on First Friday October 4th 2024 at 7.00pm followed by Hour of Grace, a time of praise, worship and thanksgiving.

The work undertaken in the church has included: reconstruction of the Sanctuary, repositioning of the main altar, the tabernacle, the repurposing of the side Chapel, replacement of the Church ceiling with wood solution, replacement of the pews and chairs, electrical installations, etc...

Whereas works will still be underway, (nearly 80% complete). It's very exciting to finally be able to return to our worship space and we are looking forward to a weekend of edifying celebration.

Fr. Anthony and Fr. Marek would like to thank all Parishioners for their patience during this time of immense disruption to our parish life. We also thank the Cippenham Shared Church Trust for allowing us use St Andrews Church for our various celebrations. God bless everyone.

A day for re-consecration of the Altar and rededication of the Church, to be celebrated by Bishop David, will be

- PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING TO MASS TIMES:

 Mass on Tuesday 1st October will be at 8.30am in St Andrews, there will be no adoration or morning
 - Mass on Friday 4th October will be celebrated at 7.00pm in OLOP followed by Hour of Grace.
 - Masses in the week of Monday 7th October to Friday 11th October will be held at OLOP in the evening at **7.00pm**. The mass on Thursday 10th October will be held in St Andrews at 9.30am.

Kindly check the weekly newsletter for any adjustment to Mass times

TEA PARTY: The Parish Fundraising Team would like to thank everyone who supported our recent tea party and helped make it such a success. We raised a total of £1,760 for the Parish Refurbishment Project and are very grateful for your continuing generosity. The next event will be a Christmas Concert in the newly renovated Our Lady of Peace Church. Please put the evening of 1st December in your diaries and join us for another special parish textel exception.

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email ologocommunion@gmail.com. Please note your child will need to be Baptised in order to join the

| | MASS | TIMES AND INTENTIONS |
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| Saturday 6.00pm | 28th September St. Andrews (Vigil Mass) | TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Marie Corcoran RIP (O'Donnell) John Dunleavy RIP (Catherine O'Neill) Mary McCarthy INT |
| Sunday | 29th September | mary mccartily in i |
| 11.30am | St. Andrews | Manuel Kanagasuntherie RIP 1 st Anniversary (Kanagasuntherie Family) Marian Bellamy RIP & Pat Carmichael RIP (Karen & Danny Shaw) Special Intention for Evelyn Sepala (Prem and Dilys Sepala) Micheal Mulheam RIP (Oates Family) |
| 6.00pm | St. Andrews | Marie Corcoran RIP (Cafferty Family) People of the Parish |
| Monday 8.30am 9.15am | 30th September Adoration Morning Prayer | St. Andrews |
| 9.30am | Mass | Maureen Webb RIP (Boundy Family) Prithi Mascarenhas INT (R. Group) |
| Tuesday 8.30am | 1st October Mass | St. Andrews Vince Gatt INT (Cafferty Family) Joan Beryl Rees RIP 4th Anniversary (Miriam Balcerski) Adesegun Agbaje RIP 36th Anniversary (Edward) |
| Wednesday 8.30am 9.15am | 2 nd October Adoration | St. Andrews |
| 9.30am | Morning Prayer Mass | Mossie & Sheila Kerins RIP (O'Donnell) Zina and Family INT (R. Group) Rev. Babatunde Adesilu RIP Birthday Remembrance (Edward) |
| Thursday 8.30am 9.15am | 3 rd October Adoration Morning Prayer | St. Andrews |
| 9.30am | Mass | Family Intention (Christina) Mr & Mrs Inniss INT (Kay) George & Clotilde Rawling RIP & Maria Rawling INT (Edward) |
| Friday 9.30am | 4th October Mass | Our Lady of Peace No Mass |
| 7.00pm | Our Lady of Peace | CHURCH REOPENING Mass followed by Hour of Grace |
| Saturday 10.00am | 5th October Mass | Our Lady of Peace No Mass |
| 6.00pm | Our Lady of Peace (Vigil Mass) | TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Marie Corcoran RIP (O'Shea) |

| Sunday 9.30am | 6th October Our Lady of Peace | John S. Fernandes RIP 1st Anniversary (Fernandes Family) |
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| 11.30am | St. Andrews | Angela Nazareth RIP Birthday Remembrance (Sepala) Special Intention for Evelyn Sepala (Prem and Dilys Sepala |
| 3.30pm | St. Andrews | 'Syro-Malabar Holy Qurbana' |

OFFERTORY: The collection for 22nd September amounted to £716.37. The DONA plate offerings amounted to £29.32 for this weekend. We are very grateful for your continued support. There will be a retiring collection NEXT weekend for CAFOD.

CAFOD's FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL: Kerwin will be holding an Appeal on behalf of CAFOD for the Family Fast Day on Friday 4th October. CAFOD is our Caritas agency for overseas development and reaches out to those biring in poverty and affected by wars and injustice globally. To carry on doing our vital and transformative work, we need your continued support. Please give using the envelopes provided or give online

HOST OUR LADY WITH THE ROSARY CAMPAIGN: October is a month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, Devotion to Mary has always been at the heart of our life and worship. It's a good time to remember that Mary's yes' changed the world. Our Lady's status will be passed from one household to another throughout the month of October. We invite families to come together to say the Rosary and if possible invite neighbors to pray

Please contact Venecia, our Parish Secretary, via email office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org or by phone at 01628 60576 to express your interest and provide a few preferable dates.

ENCOUNTER RETREAT: Our journey towards a parish mission early next year continues and, as a follow up to our recent Mission Retreat weekend, we will be hosting Mission Northampton at St Andrews Church as they lead us in a retreat day on Saturday 25th October 2024. The theme will be "Encounter' as we prepare to meet Jesus and get to know him personally. The retreat is from 10.00am - 5.00pm and the cost for the day is £15.00 including lunch and unlimited teas and coffees. To sign up please go to <a href="https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/encounter-uses/encounter-uses/encounter-u slough-october-2024/

SING4YOU: The popular Burnham choir, are coming to St Andrew's on Saturday 19th October. Tickets are on sale now after Masses, price £10 each, children under 10 years free. This is a fun musical evening, there will be a bar and a raffle, the proceeds are going to the Cippenham Shared Church Trust which pays for the upkeep of St Andrew's. Donations of raffle prizes can be put in the box at church or handed to any of

ST ANDREWS CHURCH FURNITURE: The chairs in St. Andrew's Shared Church have done wonderful service ST ANDREWS CHURCH FURNITURE: The chairs in St. Andrew's Shared Church have done wonderful service to both the congregations who use them throughout every week of the year. The frames are still we prim and well made and most of the seats within the frames are still quite firmly attached. They are comfortable pieces of public furniture. However, fairly frequently, there are instances where a seat will detach from a Trame. Obviously time shrives the glue and the seat is then left in the tentious grip of four very small screws. If the chair is lifted by the front ip the break is easily made. If the chair is lifted by the front stretcher just beneath the plywood seat the damage is avoided. Similar handling advice may be aimed at wooden or folding tables which need to be lifted from one position to another and not dragged over the tiled floor. Legs are placed under severe strain and rapidly become dangerously unfit for purpose. Your attention to the above two situations will be very much appreciated.